

SOUTH CAROLINA

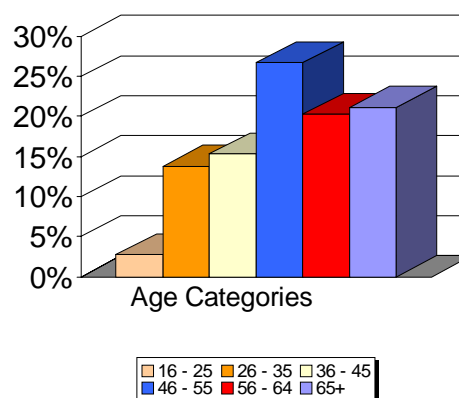
Results from the 1997 Southeast Socioeconomics Marine Angler Survey*



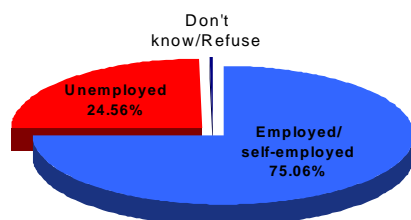
Facts about the Anglers:

- § About 62% of the South Carolina anglers surveyed own a boat used for recreational saltwater fishing.
- § The anglers surveyed spent on average \$236 per day on boat fees when fishing on a party charter or rental boat.
- § Travel and lodging expenses averaged \$74 per trip for anglers interviewed on multi-day trips.
- § About 12% of anglers surveyed who were employed gave up some income by taking a day of fishing. The average income "missed" was around \$172 per trip.
- § The anglers surveyed who live in-state have been fishing an average of 15 years.
- § About 9% of the anglers surveyed were women.

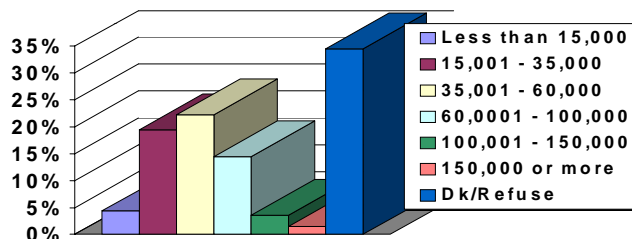
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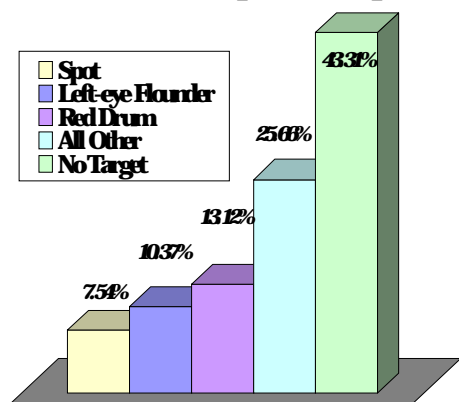
Employment Status



Household Income Distribution



Primary Species Targeted on Intercepted Trip



Stated Effects of Regulation & Catch Rate Changes on Days Spent Fishing

Did you change the # of days you fished based on:	% OF ANGLERS RESPONDING:	DIRECTION OF CHANGE	AVERAGE DAYS CHANGED
CHANGE IN REGULATIONS	YES: 2%	Increase: 32%	25
	NO: 96%	Decrease: 68%	6
CHANGE IN CATCH RATES	YES: 4%	Increase: 41%	17
	NO: 94%	Decrease: 59%	12
	D/K: 2%		

*The data are representative of the anglers surveyed and may not be reflective of the population of this state.